Dear Committee,

As a New Haven resident I oppose expansion of the Tweed runway. The agreement stated the airport would not expand. Many of us considered this when buying a home nearby, we knew we were moving near a small airport.

The airport operates at a deficit and expansion will only negatively impact residents. If any jobs are generated by expanding they won't outweigh the negative impacts. Expansion of the runway in an area of beaches and wetlands would be disaster in an already fragile environment. This community cares deeply for the wildlife and natural treasures here. We value our community.

The noise of the engines degrades quality of life.

Thank you for considering how expansion will negatively impact residents who live, work, and pay taxes in New Haven.

Sincerely, Julia Merk